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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please delete the title "METHOD FOR OPERATING A COMBUSTION

PLANT" and insert the following title:

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-- METHOD OF BURNING A NITROGEN-CONTAINING FUEL --.

On page 1, immediately after the title, please insert the following heading:

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--Background of the Invention--.

On page 4, between lines 5 and 6, please insert the following heading:

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--Summary of the Invention--.

On page 7, after line 12, please insert the following paragraphs:

-- The specification incorporates by reference the disclosure of German priority